

## Message Text

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TO AMEMBASSY MONROVIA  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEL AVIV 10044

E. O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDIP EG IS LI  
SUBJ: PRIME MINISTER BEGIN REPLIES TO PRESIDENT TOLBERT

REF.: MONROVIA 8053

1. THE EMBASSY HAS NOW RECEIVED A LETTER FROM PRIME  
MINISTER BEGIN TO PRESIDENT TOLBERT RESPONDING TO THE  
LATTER'S LETTER OF NOV 22.

2. BEGIN TEXT DEAR MR PRESIDENT, I THANK YOU FOR YOUR  
KIND LETTER OF NOVEMBER 23. PRESIDENT SADAT'S VISIT TO  
OUR COUNTRY AND TO JERUSALEM WAS, INDEED, A MOMENTOUS  
OCCASION. THE KNESSET, PEOPLE AND GOVERNMENT OF ISRAEL  
RECEIVED OUR HONORED GUEST WITH WARMTH. TO US, THIS  
WAS COMPLETELY SELF-UNDERSTOOD, REFLECTIVE OF ISRAEL'S  
CONSTANT AND PROFOUND WISH TO ADVANCE THE CAUSE OF PEACE  
AND AMITY IN OUR REGION. THIS SENTIMENT CHARACTERIZED  
THE ATMOSPHERE OF THE TALKS WE HELD WITH PRESIDENT SADAT  
AND HIS DELEGATION DURING THE TWO DAYS OF THEIR VISIT.  
OUR EXCHANGES WERE, THROUGHOUT, FRANK, FRIENDLY AND  
OCRDIAL. LET US NOW HOPE, MR PRESIDENT, THE VISIT  
WILL, INDEED, BE REMEMBERED AS A TURNING POINT IN THE  
RELATIONS WITH OTHER NEIGHBORING ARAB COUNTRIEF AND  
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BRING US, THEREBY, TO THE PEACE AND SECURITY FOR WHICH  
WE ALL YEARN AND PRAY. END TEXT

3. WE WILL FORWARD THE SIGNED ORIGINAL BY POUCH. LEWIS

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